GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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USE OF NAVY FOR INTERNAL SECURITY
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Navy wants to remain away from internal security;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps the Government are taking to keep Navy and other defence forces away from the internal security?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (c): The Defence forces including Navy are responsible primarily for meeting external threat to the security of the country. However, the Indian Navy and other Defence forces are employed to assist the agencies responsible for internal security as and when it becomes inescapable.